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FOURTH QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia – Milk production in West Virginia totaled 34 million pounds or 4.0 million gallons during the October - December quarter of 2014. This was unchanged from the same period in 2013 and also unchanged from the July - September 2014 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 9,000 head, unchanged from the same period in 2013 and the previous quarter.

United States – Milk production in the United States during the October - December quarter totaled 50.9 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from the October - December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.28 million head, 16,000 head more than the July - September quarter, and 83,000 head more than the same period last year.

Note: A conversion of 8.6 pounds per gallon was used.